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Relieve: Travellers celebrate after a court order allowed them to stay at the Dale Farm site in Essex until Friday. About 200 people were due to be evicted from the camp yesterday, with many manning barricades before bailiffs arrived Picture: PA **P5**

Sailor's 'GTA gun spree' on nuke sub

A CREWMAN who killed an officer in a gun rampage aboard a nuclear submarine told friends he was planning 'a Grand Theft Auto-style massacre'.

Ryan Donovan, who was jailed yesterday for at least 25 years for shooting Lt Cmdr Ian Molyneux in the head at point-blank range, went on a shooting spree 'like in a video game'.

The 23-year-old was full of resentment after he was told he would be punished for disobeying a direct order to clean HMS Astute.

And, after a night's heavy drinking ashore, he took bloody revenge with the SA80 assault rifle he was given for sentry duty.

Prosecutor Nigel Lickley said Donovan was plotting the rampage days earlier. 'He started talking about the video game Grand Theft Auto, where you start a massacre and rack up points by killing,' he told the court.

Able Seaman Donovan - who was obsessed with gangsta rap and called himself Reggie Moondog - had wanted a transfer to the Royal Fleet Auxiliary ship Cardigan Bay.

But his move was blocked because he had disobeyed the order to clean the submarine.

By **Fred Attewill**

On April 8, he volunteered for guard duty while the vessel was docked in Southampton on a five-day goodwill visit.

He passed a sobriety test but, after being given the rifle, swivelled round and opened fire on two petty officers, who managed to dodge the bullets, Winchester crown court heard.

Donovan headed for the control room, where he was challenged by Lt Cmdr Molyneux.

As the officer tried to tackle him, he fired another shot from just 5cm away.

After stepping over the officer's body, he shot and seriously wounded Lt Cmdr Christopher Hodge. His rampage was halted only when he was tackled by Southampton city council leader Royston Smith and chief executive Andrew Neill, who were among six civic dignitaries being given a tour of the vessel.

Mr Neill described Donovan as being like somebody who was in 'a dream and they were doing this almost like in a video game'.

Donovan, of Dartford, Kent, admitted murder and attempted murder.

Dale Farm travellers celebrate victory but council insists it will triumph

We've won – for now



TRAVELLERS manning barricades at the illegal Dale Farm site were given a last-gasp reprieve yesterday.

About 200 remaining residents and activists at the site in Essex cheered after the High Court demanded bailiffs call off their planned eviction.

But it may only be a temporary victory in their £15million legal battle.

The dispute between them and Basildon council returns to court on Friday. The council claims its point of view has not been heard and is confident of winning.

Some 86 families have been fighting eviction from their homes in green belt land at Crays Hill.

Bailiffs were due to begin removing them at 8am yesterday

By **Aidan Radnedge**

and electricity was temporarily turned off at the camp. But demonstrators, including a teenage woman chained by the neck to a gate, refused to budge.

The defiant 18-year-old, named Emma, only unfastened herself yesterday afternoon when news of the latest ruling came through.

One young woman living on the site said: 'We have that little bit of hope now.'

'I feel like partying, I feel like jumping around.'

'I believe in Jesus, Mary and the whole lot of them, and they're looking down on us. God works slowly but in mysterious ways.'

Referring to neighbours who oppose the encampment, she

said: 'Them people, I say to them: "I don't want to fight you, I don't want to say any bad things."

"I pray for you for judging us by not even knowing us".

Mr Justice Edwards-Stuart granted an injunction stopping the council from clearing structures from the site until Friday's hearing.

He suggested that the council's proposed action 'may go further' than the terms allowed by enforcement notices issued against residents in July.

Basildon council leader Tony Ball complained he was not given the chance to put its side of the argument.

'I'm absolutely confident that once we put our case the law will be upheld and the council will enforce that law.'

Back off: Travellers watch the bailiffs arriving from their barricade, left, before learning that a judge had postponed the eviction

Pictures: PA

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Emma's Dale Farm: A protester called Emma attached herself to entrance door as activists patrol

Killer who robbed on release

A **CONVICTED** killer who carried out 11 armed raids while on day releases from his life sentence was jailed indefinitely yesterday. Joseph Williams stole £3,360 over six months after being let out of HMP Blantyre House, in Kent, to work as an

£18,000-a-year lorry driver. The 52-year-old armed himself with a spanner and paint brush taped together and wrapped in a carrier bag to look like a gun. He even robbed the same betting shop four times during the spree last year. 'Your victims feared

they would be harmed and in the most part feared they would be shot,' Recorder Joanna Greenberg QC told the Old Bailey. Williams was jailed for life in 1996 for battering Ayodele Odamtun to death with a claw hammer.

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